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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR:

Both Republicans and Democrats mentioned you favorably last night in nation-wide radio talks. Your name was mentioned in radio talks by McCarthy over WWDC and other stations (9:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.) and by Stevenson over WWDC (10 to 10:15 p.m.).

McCarthy said in effect that Stevenson claims and Truman also supports the claim that Stevenson established our post-war policy in Italy and then he quoted from your book that the plan was to appease Communists and bring Togliatti back from Moscow.

Stevenson asked in his radio talk if Ike would dismiss J. Edgar Hoover or Ike's former chief of staff, Walter Bedell Smith, and as the loud "noes" from his "live" audience ended, he declared he "would back to the hilt" Hoover and Smith, whom he termed "competent" and "silent."

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